

**CLAIMS:**

1. An optical data storage device protector comprised of;
  - a) A pair of concentric rings, one ring being an outer ring and the other an inner ring;
  - b) said outer ring and inner ring having a specified inside and outside diameter creating a specified ring width means creating a physical guard, bearing surface or barrier means protecting said optical data storage device's read surface;
  - c) said outer ring having an inner peripheral edge ending adjacent to but not covering said storage device's data containing portion of said device's read surface;
  - d) said inner ring having an outer peripheral edge ending adjacent to but not covering said storage device's data containing portion of said device's read surface;
  - e) said inner ring having an inner diameter means indexing to a standard CD jewel case spindle post and storage device playing spindle;
  - f) said inner and outer rings having a face material layer of a specified thickness means creating a physical standoff surface preventing said data storage device from contacting potential contaminants or damaging elements;
  - g) said outer ring having an outer peripheral edge means protecting said storage device's edge;
  - h) said inner and outer rings having a label type release liner means covering for a pressure sensitive adhesive;
  - i) said release liner having a release coating means to facilitate removal of said release liner;
  - j) said inner and outer rings having a face material surface being receptive to ink or other decorative application;
2. The face material layer of Claim 1 receiving a face coating means for protecting ink or decorative surface and enhancing product durability.
3. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the outer ring's outer diameter exceeds that of the storage device by a specified amount means of enhancing storage device's edge protection.

4. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the face material layer is made of a vegetable or wood pulp based material.
5. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the storage device is compact disc (CD).
6. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the storage device is digital versatile disk (DVD).
7. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the storage device is a music player (MP3) player disc.
8. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the storage device is a music player (MP4) player disc.
9. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the storage device is a game system disc.
10. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the face material layer is composed of a high-density paperboard.
11. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the face material layer is composed of Mylar <sup>TM</sup>.
12. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the face material layer is composed of a velum.
13. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the face material layer is composed of a latex paper.

14. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the face material layer is composed of a metalized paper.
15. The face coating of Claim 2 comprised of label type clear coating.
16. The face coating of Claim 2 comprised of lacquer.
17. The face coating of Claim 2 comprised of laminate.
18. The face coating of Claim 2 comprised of acetate.
19. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the adhesive is a removable type.
20. The optical data storage device protector of claim 1 wherein the adhesive not pressure sensitive by rather made by applying a static charge.